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Republican National Committee

Counsel's Office

August 22, 1997

Via Facsimile and First-Class Mail Jose M. Redriguez, Esq. Office of General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20003

Re: MUR 4250

Dear Mr. Rodriguez:

The Republican National Committee ("RNC") respectfully requests an extension of time, specifically until September 22, 1997, to complete its compliance with the Federal Election Commission's ("Commission") subpoena to produce documents and written answers in the above-referenced matter. The RNC received the Commission's subpoena on August 1, 1997, and the response date is currently September 2, 1997.

As you may know, during the last three months the RNC has responded to multiple subpoenas and document requests from Congressional investigatory committees which have required the production of tens of thousands of documents. In addition, the RNC has and is continuing to respond to several Commission subpoenas. On August 6, 1997, the RNC produced approximately 1,800 pages of documents in response to the Commission's third-party subpoena in <u>FEC v. Colorado Republican Federal Campaign Committee</u>, C.A. No. 89-N-1159 (D. Colo. filed July 7, 1989).

The RNC wishes to stress that it intends to fully comply with the Commission's subpoena in this matter as soon as possible. Thank you for considering this request for extension of time. If you have any questions regarding this request, please give me a call at (202) 863-8638. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Toner Deputy Counsel